

Gulf of Mexico Harmful Algal Bloom Bulletin

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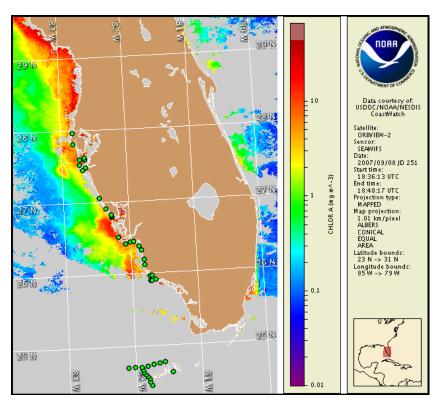
There is currently no indication of harmful algal bloom presence along the coast of Southwest Florida. No impacts are expected in any Florida counties today through Sunday September 16.

Analysis

Recent sampling results continue to confirm that *K.brevis* is not present along the southwest Florida coast. Chlorophyll concentrations remain elevated from Pinellas to Manatee County and from southern Charlotte to northern Monroe County in patches. Discolored water was reported offshore of Pinellas county this past Friday (9/7), due to non-harmful algae. Continued sampling is recommended. Mild and variable winds throughout the week will minimize the potential for *K. brevis* formation at the coast.

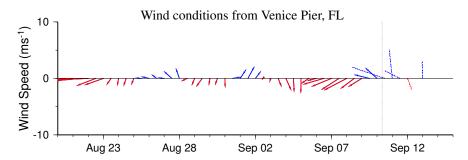
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Satellite chlorophyll image with possible HAB areas shown by red polygon(s). Cell concentration sampling data from September 4 to 6 shown as red (high), orange (medium), yellow (low b), brown (low a), blue(very low b), purple (very low a), pink (present), and green (not present). For a list of cell count data providers and a key to the cell concentration categories, please see the HABFS bulletin guide:

http://www.csc.noaa.gov/crs/habf/habfs_bulletin_guide.pdf

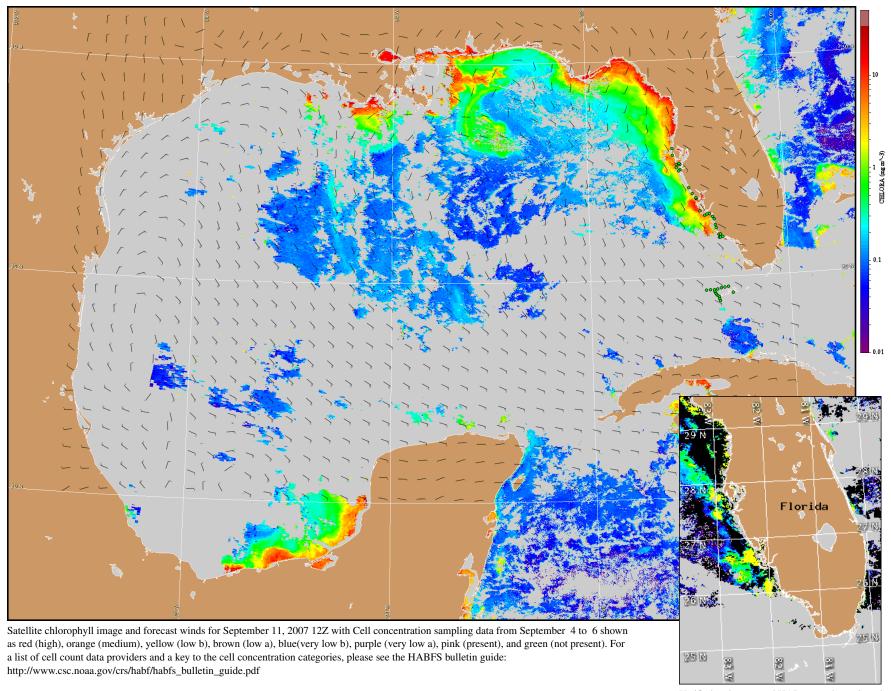


Wind speed and direction are averaged over 12 hours from buoy measurements. Length of line indicates speed; angle indicates direction. Red indicates that the wind direction favors upwelling near the coast. Values to the left of the dotted vertical line are measured values; values to the right are forecasts.

SW Florida: Rotating southeasterly to southwesterly winds today through Wednesday (5-10 knots; 3-5 m/s). Variable winds Wednesday evening through Friday, becoming onshore both Thursday and Friday (5-10 knots; 3-5 m/s).

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Verified and suspected HAB areas shown in red. Other areas of high chlorophyll concentration shown in yellow (see p. 1 analysis for interpretation).